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"IN THE GREASE"

Notes Gleaned While the Oil Editor Bumps Around Proven Territory

How anxious the larger companies with big leases are for production is indicated by their willingness to drill wells in areas characterized by small production, even when the leases do not demand new locations. The General Petroleum corporation is drilling a new well near the Redondo limits. Shell has two new western locations, one on the Redondo lease and one on the Torrance lease, about 700 feet west of Franzer No. 1.

The crew is still working at plugging-back operations on Standard's Felker No. 1. Production will be sought from the top structure, despite the fact that the well logged several hundred feet of interstratified sands further down.

Fred Foster's No. 68 was placed on production Wednesday and is making 300 barrels on the pump. It is located

Local Realty Firm Appointed Selling Agent for Tract

Charles M. Peterson, subdivider of the Compton Avenue Palms tract, has arranged with Treadwell & Roberts, local realty firm, to act as selling agents for his subdivision. Compton Avenue Palms tract is located on Compton avenue and is only a short drive from Los Angeles on a direct boulevard to the harbor. A special selling campaign is now on and a formal opening of the tract will be held Sunday, Feb. 24, at 1 o'clock. On another page of this issue a large display advertisement will explain full details as to the selling plan of the tract.

To My Canary Bird

Pour out your song, my little friend,
It fills my heart with cheer,
And brings the sunshine from the sky,
The woods and fields seem near;
Your cage may be a prison,
But I know your soul is free,
For your song of love and gladness
Comes and cheers the soul of me.

Your throat just seems to quiver
As you shower notes about,
And your cheer is like the sunshine
That drives the shadows out,
For while your song is ringing
There is never room for gloom,
For with such cheering music
Only love can come and bloom.

Your little song of gladness
Is a song that sounds Divine,
'Tis a mixture of sweet flowers
And the richness of good wine;
Ah! how I wish that men could learn
The lesson that you teach,
To me, your song is greater
Than a sermon man can preach.

HOLD HILL WANDERER

Constable Miller took George Evans to the psychopathic ward of the county hospital Thursday, where he will be held for observation. For some time past Evans, whose principal diet has been beans and raw fish and abalone, has been wandering over the Palos Verdes estates, and annoying members of the Vanderlip family who are staying there. Although fully clad when brought into Judge Hunter's office, it is said that his attire during the past few days has been a shirt and shoes only.

on the Johnson acre, Pepper and Pennsylvania streets.

The Didier, Oil company's well at Palm and Pennsylvania streets is standing cemented at 3575 feet. Four hundred-barrel production on the beam was secured by the Woolner Oil company at Fir and Pennsylvania streets when its well was put on production Thursday.

U. S. Royalties is ready to set casing on both No. 20 and No. 22.

Bush and Voorhis have landed the fish on Fee No. 1 on East Palm street. The well is being drilled at 3300 feet.

Standard is balling Marble Fee No. 1 for a water shutoff test. Marble Fee No. 2 is down 3258 and No. 3 is being drilled at 3248.

Bread Scattered Along Narbonne

The "Faultless" bakery car developed a fault in a rear wheel Wednesday morning, and a load of bread was scattered all over the asphalt surface of Narbonne avenue. We don't know whose "fault" it was.

BUNKO AND CARDS

Mrs. W. J. Cox and Mrs. O. D. Stevenson were co-hostesses at the "bunko" and card party held in Catholic hall last Monday morning, which was one of the most successful yet held. A large number of young people were present and thoroughly enjoyed the evening. The honors for bunko went to Miss Frances Anderson, Miss Florence McMaisters and Mr. Hammond and T. D. McNeill. Miss May Wright and Mr. McGuire received the consolation prizes.

At five hundred the prizes were won by Mrs. E. E. McMaisters, Mrs. Luck, and Mrs. Beers; Messrs. Faye, Simms and Monroe.

NOTED SUBDIVIDER HERE

Victor J. Green, the well known Los Angeles real estate dealer, and the man who put over the subdivision at Gillette Manor, called in the Herald office today and left a dispirited announcement his Hawthorne boulevard subdivision, which he is now closing out.

OUCH!

A farmer driving along a country road was thus accosted by a young man: "Hello, Reuben! Give me a lift to Boontown, will you?" The young man climbed up and beguiled the time with lively chatter. After a few miles had been traveled he said: "It's quite a distance to Boontown, isn't it?" After a few more miles the young man asked: "Say, farmer, how far is it to Boontown, anyway?" "Well," replied the farmer, "keepin' right on the way we're going now, I should say it would be about twenty-five thousand miles or so; but if you wanted to get out and walk back, it wouldn't be very much more than ten miles."

If it is not convenient to leave your classified ad at our office, you can leave it at the nearest Want-Ad sub-station.

CORE ALL WAY IN SUPERIOR'S TORRANCE 13

Company to Give Industrial Tract Thorough Test

That the deep levels of the Torrance industrial tract, in which edge conditions have been located in the top formation, will receive a thorough test was assured this week when it was learned that the Superior Oil company is coring every foot of hole made by Torrance No. 13, south of the Western Sheet Glass factory. As a result of the coring, hole is not being made rapidly and the well has been drilled only a little below 4500 feet. The company is giving out no information regarding the log.

Western Avenue Paving Job Bids Asked by Board

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contemplated work and improvement, in the opinion of the board of trustees, is of more than local and ordinary benefit, but that said work and improvement is chiefly and primarily for the benefit of owners of property contiguous to the streets intended to be improved and for the special enhancement of their property and to increase the value thereof; and these protestants believe and represent that such work and improvement should be done and completed in such manner that said owners of property contiguous to said streets to be improved shall bear at least one-half of the cost thereof for the apparent reason that they will receive the greatest benefit therefrom.

Object to Specifications "2—that it is contrary to law . . . for the board of trustees or the superintendent of streets to specify in said notice of improvement the type of pavement made and laid by the California Willite Road Construction company, or to require said improvement to be made only by the use of said company's plastic composition license mixture; but that it is lawful that said improvement if accomplished at all to be done through a bid or bids obtained in and by competitive bidding."

In response to a question Mr. Taylor declared that he could not tell exactly the number of lots owned by the signers of the protest.

"The number may be fifteen," he said, "or it may be fifty."

Mr. Briney then asked Mr. Taylor: "Would you protest against this proposed work if one-half of the cost should be charged to the property immediately contiguous to the street?"

Taylor States Conditions Mr. Taylor replied that he believed all the protestants would favor the work if the cost should be so assessed. "I am heartily in favor of paving Western avenue," he said, "if the cost is properly apportioned."

Mr. Briney then made plain that the protest against the contemplated assessments to cover the paving cost is premature, inasmuch as the assessment rolls have not yet been made out.

He pointed out that protests against the assessments would be in order after the assessment roll is prepared and that any protest against the apportionment made before the protestants know what that cost apportionment will be is naturally without standing.

Briney Makes Point Mr. Briney then explained that the specification of a particular type of pavement, objected to in the protest as barring the way to competitive bidding, does not prevent such bidding.

Mr. Taylor replied that general classifications of types of paving, such as concrete, macadam or asphaltum, might be proper, but that the specification of a particular patented process or material is, in his opinion, illegal.

City Attorney Jessup then declared that any contractor who bid on the work; that the specification of the patented surface merely designates the patented material to be used; and that it in no way prevents competitive bidding.

Mr. Taylor declared: "Our chief quarrel, of course, is on the apportionment of the cost. We are not quite so particular regarding the type of pavement laid."

Mr. Briney dictated a resolution overruling the protest on the ground that the signers owned "no more than 50 lots in the city of Torrance" and did not represent more than 1 per cent of the property owned in the city.

Trustee Proctor then motioned adoption of the resolution and the motion carried unanimously. The trustees then passed the resolution instructing the clerk to advertise for bids.

Secretary Gadeky of the Chamber of Commerce then reported to the meeting that the county road commissioners are ready to start work on that part of Western avenue in Los Angeles county.

This announcement was received with loud applause which lasted fully a minute. It is possible that signers of the protest which was overruled by the board will seek to establish in a court of law their contention that the work is not "of more than local or ordinary public benefit."

RAISE PAY OF POLICE CHIEF AND RECORDER

City Trustees Also Increase Scale of Patrolmen

Salaries of Chief of Police Anderson and City Recorder James King were increased Tuesday night by the board of trustees and the scale of pay for patrolmen was established at \$150 to \$175 a month.

Chief Anderson's salary was increased from \$185 to \$225 a month, while that of Judge King was increased from \$50 to \$100 a month.

The increases were recommended by Trustee R. R. Smith, in a written report to the board.

Mr. Smith's report follows in part: "As a city we are growing very rapidly and our responsibilities have increased proportionately, until at the present time we are getting a little out of balance. It has been brought forcibly to our attention that some of our public officers are not receiving salaries commensurate with their duties.

"Some of us are giving our time and work without any remuneration, except that remuneration which comes to us all when we feel that we are doing something for the public good. But we get our livelihood from other sources.

"The ones we wish to call your particular attention to are those who give all their time to the position in question, and it is their sole means of support.

"As we expect to demand the maximum of efficiency from all departments, therefore we must pay a wage sufficient to create an incentive on the part of those employed to give the best they have."

In recommending an increase in the pay of the police chief, Mr. Smith's report read in part as follows:

"The responsibility and danger of the position, as well as the executive ability necessary, not considering the long hours he has to put in, we believe justifies this action."

Mr. Smith's report lauds the work of Judge King as follows:

"We have been fortunate indeed in having so able a man as Judge King to officiate in the above named position."

Mr. Smith's report explained that the demands on the time of the city recorder are daily increasing and that arrangements have been made to permit Judge King to devote more time to court work.

The pay of policemen will be fixed by the trustees in individual cases on recommendation of the chief.



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Thieves Enter Tent; Loot Is Worth \$110

A tent in the rear of the Oil Workers' Social club, on North Narbonne avenue, was entered and articles of clothing and jewelry to the value of \$110 were stolen, according to a report made Thursday to Constable Carl J. Miller.

HE WAS READY

The minister had come home with the Browns for dinner. When they sat down to the meal Mr. Brown asked the guest to say grace. This he did. However, the preacher talked so softly that those at the table did not hear his whispered "Amen." Freddy, though, had been watching the minister out of one corner of his eye, so when the family still sat with bowed heads after the grace was finished Freddy exclaimed: "All heads up and let's go eatin'!"

NOT IDLE

The world treats the momentous business of spooning as a joke. "My little man," a deacon said to a small boy, "have you no better way of spending this holy Sabbath afternoon than idling away your time on your front lawn?" "I ain't idlin' away no time," the

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little man exploded. "There's a feller inside spoonin' with my sister, and she's payin' me a nickel an hour to watch out for pop and mom."

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